

At my request, \$2,500,000 was included in H.R. 3326 to provide upgrades to the Joint Fires and Effects Trainer System (JFETS) located at Fort Sill, Oklahoma. The current immersive simulation training capability suffers from one significant drawback—the one-to-one instructor/student requirement. The funding provided for this project would increase the ability for this program to upgrade the voice recognition technology of JFETS and allow a single instructor to manage nine concurrent calls for fire training sessions in the Open Terrain module simultaneously and improve efficiency by 800 percent. Additionally, the project will develop an interactive application to drill soldiers in the five essential elements of accurate predictive fires to prepare them before they train in the immersive environment and reinforce the training before they deploy.

Title of Project: Weapons of Mass Destruction Multi-Sensor Response and Infrastructure Project System

Amount of Project: \$2,000,000

Account:

Project Recipient: Triarii Scientific, LLC, 7118 South Colombia Place, Tulsa, OK 74136

At my request, \$2,000,000 was included in H.R. 3326 for Triarii Scientific of Tulsa, Oklahoma to provide funding to enhance and improve the Oklahoma National Guard's (OKNG) 63rd Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) Civil Support Team's (CST) ability to prevent and respond to terrorist attacks. The OKNG-CST requires next generation capability that improves their ability to respond to WMD-related threats while systematically identifying truly critical vulnerabilities; thus, render state and national infrastructures less exposed.

This funding will be used to upgrade existing CST equipment to a fully integrated and mobile system that combines communications, sensors, vulnerability and engineering assessments of critical infrastructure facilities via the Homeland Defense Operational Planning System (HOPS), and a command and control suite.

The upgraded mobile system will provide complete command and control abilities, interoperable wireless communications, a suite of Acoustic, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear, Explosives (ACBRN-E) and Command, Control, Communications, Computers and Cyber for Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance (C5ISR) sensors. All system integration, test, certification, infrastructure and vulnerability assessments will be executed in conjunction with the Oklahoma State University Multispectral Laboratories (OSU-UML) and Lawrence Livermore National Laboratories (LLNL) with operational testing overseen by the Joint Interoperability Test Command (ETC).

#### EARMARK DECLARATION

#### HON. JERRY MORAN

OF KANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, July 28, 2009*

Mr. MORAN of Kansas. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3326, the Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman JERRY MORAN

Bill Number: H.R. 3326

Agency/Account: Department of Defense

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Kansas State University

Address of Requesting Entity: 110 Anderson Hall, Manhattan, KS 66506

Description of Project: I have secured \$3,500,000 for the recently established Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS) Mission Planning and Operation Center at Kansas State University at Salina, KS. The funding will be used to centralize UAS efforts in one location and continue the Center's collaboration with military, government and business to train UAS pilots, develop UAS technology, and create rules for safe integration of UAS aircraft into the national airspace system. The Center works in partnership with the Kansas National Guard to train Guard personnel by utilizing restricted airspace at nearby Smoky Hill Air National Guard Range. Better utilizing UAS assets will provide valuable real-time data, such as locating tornado victims, for Guard and other first responders to improve homeland security and disaster response. I certify that neither I nor my spouse has any financial interest in this project.

Requesting Member: Congressman JERRY MORAN

Bill Number: H.R. 3326

Agency/Account: Department of Defense

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Saline County Road and Bridge Department

Address of Requesting Entity: 3424 Airport Road, Salina, KS 67401

Description of Project: I have secured \$1,000,000 for Saline County road improvements to better allow the transportation of military personnel and equipment to Smoky Hill Air National Guard Range near Salina, KS. Smoky Hill Range is remotely located and is accessible mainly via county roads. Currently, road conditions are poor and at times nearly impassible between the Range and the other facilities that make up the Kansas National Guard's Great Plains Joint Regional Training Center, as well as to major interstate highways connecting the Range to Fort Riley, KS. I certify that neither I nor my spouse has any financial interest in this project.

#### EARMARK DECLARATION

#### HON. ZACH WAMP

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, July 28, 2009*

Mr. WAMP. Madam Speaker, as a leader on earmark reform, I am committed to protecting taxpayers' money and providing greater transparency and a fully accountable process. H.R. 3326, Department of Defense and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010 contains the following funding that I requested:

Requesting Member: Rep. ZACH WAMP

Bill Number: H.R. 3326

Account: Research, Development, Test And Evaluation, Army—Medical Technology

Legal Name Requesting Entity: Department of Orthopedic Surgery, University of Tennessee College of Medicine Chattanooga

Address: 975 East Third Street, Chattanooga, TN 37403

Description of Request: The University of Tennessee College of Medicine Chattanooga requested funding for its work with artificial

bone implants and grafts for American soldiers, airmen, sailors and marines who have lost limbs in combat. This research will greatly enhance the lives of injured service members giving them more independence and allow them to live more productive and fulfilling lives.

Distribution of funding:

Yearly Staffing, 37%;

Consultative Services, 9%;

Scientific Material, 54%.

Requesting Member: Rep. ZACH WAMP

Bill Number: H.R. 3326

Account: Other Procurement, Army—Training Devices, Nonsystem

Legal Name Requesting Entity: Tennessee Army National Guard

Address: Houston Barracks 3041 Sidco Drive, Nashville, TN 37204

Description of Request: The Tennessee National Guard requested funding to purchase and maintain Combined Arms Virtual Trainers to better prepare service members for deployments to Iraq and Afghanistan. This equipment replicates virtual battlefields and allows Army National Guard soldiers to train as they will fight. Allowing Combined Arms Training within a virtual environment will save lives on the real battlefield

Distribution of funding:

Equipment, Software, & Maintenance, 100%.

#### EARMARK DECLARATION

#### HON. RON PAUL

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, July 28, 2009*

Mr. PAUL. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the House Republican standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I obtained as part of H.R. 3183, the Education and Transportation bills

(1) Requesting Member: Congressman RON PAUL

Bill Number: H.R. 3326

Account: DOD/RDTE, A

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: U.S. DoD

Address of Requesting Entity: 504 Scott Street, Fort Detrick, MD 21702

Description of Request: \$4,200,000 For Testing of safety of vanadium. Protecting the health of servicemen and civilian workers.

#### EARMARK DECLARATION

#### HON. GREG WALDEN

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, July 28, 2009*

Mr. WALDEN. Madam Speaker, consistent with the House Republican Leadership's policy on earmarks, to the best of my knowledge the requests I have detailed below are (1) not directed to an entity or program that will be named after a sitting Member of Congress; and (2) not intended to be used by an entity to secure funds for other entities unless the use of funding is consistent with the specified purpose of the earmark. As required by earmark standards adopted by the House Republican Conference, I submit the following information on projects I requested and that were

included in the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010 (H.R. 3293).

Account: Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)—Health Facilities and Services

Project Name: County of Hood River, OR for facilities and equipment

Legal Name and Address of Requesting Entity: Hood River County, 601 State Street, Hood River, Oregon 97031

Project Location: Hood River County, Oregon

Description of Project: H.R. 3293 appropriates \$150,000 for the County of Hood River, OR for facilities and equipment. According to the requesting entity, the appropriated funds for this project will be used to build a health care facility that integrates public health, migrant health, mental health and primary care. According to the requester, this will be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it would bring health care services to a community that currently has no medical or dental providers.

Account: Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)—Health Facilities and Services

Project Name: Oregon Institute of Technology, Klamath Falls, OR for purchase of equipment

Legal Name and Address of Requesting Entity: Oregon Institute of Technology, 3201 Campus Drive, Klamath Falls, Oregon 97601

Project Location: Klamath Falls, Oregon and Portland, Oregon

Description of Project: H.R. 3293 appropriates \$250,000 for the Oregon Institute of Technology, Klamath Falls, OR for purchase of equipment. According to the requesting entity, the appropriated funds for this project will be used to purchase clinical laboratory science equipment for use at the existing clinical lab science program in Portland and the new program on the Klamath Falls campus. According to Oregon Institute of Technology, this will be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because expanding this program will help meet the projected need for clinical lab scientists in the next decade.

Account: Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)—Health Facilities and Services

Project Name: Oregon Institute of Technology, Klamath Falls, OR for purchase of equipment

Legal Name and Address of Requesting Entity: Oregon Institute of Technology, 3201 Campus Drive, Klamath Falls, Oregon 97601

Project Location: Klamath Falls, Oregon

Description of Project: H.R. 3293 appropriates \$100,000 for the Oregon Institute of Technology, Klamath Falls, OR for purchase of equipment. According to the requesting entity, the appropriated funds for this project will be used to incorporate medical imaging archiving systems into the curriculum of five different medical imaging programs. According to Oregon Institute of Technology, this will be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because in order to facilitate the adoption and utilization of electronic medical records (EMRs), it is necessary to educate students in health professions programs on all aspects of EMRs, including Picture Archiving and Communication Systems (PACS). These funds will provide future workers the ability to fully maximize the potential of EMRs.

Account: Employment and Training Administration (ETA)—Training & Employment Services (TES)

Project Name: Columbia Gorge Community College, The Dalles, OR to develop a renewable energy training program, including purchase of equipment

Legal Name and Address of Requesting Entity: Columbia Gorge Community College, 400 East Scenic Drive, The Dalles, Oregon 97058

Project Location: The Dalles, Oregon

Description of Project: H.R. 3293 appropriates \$350,000 for the Columbia Gorge Community College, The Dalles, OR to maintain and expand a renewable energy training program, including purchase of equipment. According to the requesting entity, the appropriated funds for this project will be used to expand the program to ensure relevance to changing industry demands and continue to meet the regional demand for wind turbine technicians. According to Columbia Gorge Community College, this will be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because funds would produce a skilled labor force for a growing industry while also reducing national dependence on imported oil.

#### RECOGNIZING READING IS FUNDAMENTAL

#### HON. MIKE QUIGLEY

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, July 28, 2009*

Mr. QUIGLEY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor the outstanding impact that the Chicago area Reading Is Fundamental (RIF) Program has had in promoting literacy and bringing together families and communities throughout the Chicagoland area.

Since its formation in 1972, Reading Is Fundamental in Chicago has fought passionately and effectively to combat illiteracy in inner city neighborhoods, and its efforts have been met with both enthusiasm and success. Utilizing an extensive network that now includes 82 Chicago Public Schools, RIF in Chicago has distributed over 3 and a half million books to inner city children, including over 199,000 in the last school year alone. In doing so, the organization has been instrumental in raising awareness of the burden of illiteracy, and has brought together formerly disparate groups and communities to combat a problem that affects us all.

Recognizing that illiteracy is so often symptomatic of poverty, RIF in Chicago has focused its resources on the city's most impoverished and underserved areas—communities in which books and literacy resources are a luxury rather than a right. And through the implementation of groundbreaking initiatives such as "Project Open Book," "Adolescents-at Risk," and the "Young Women's Zine Project," RIF in Chicago has empowered children throughout the Chicagoland area, helped to strengthen inner city communities, and has taken great strides towards the goal of making education a right of every individual, regardless of one's socioeconomic status.

Madam Speaker, in a day and age in which illiteracy can pose a significant barrier to success in the professional world, I commend the extraordinary efforts and success of the Reading Is Fundamental Program in Chicago. In

working to eradicate illiteracy in Chicago's inner-city neighborhoods, Reading Is Fundamental in Chicago has emerged as a unifying force in the same neighborhoods, bringing together families and strengthening communities. Once again, I applaud the organization's important work and thank them for over 37 years of service to Chicago's children.

HONORING JOHN JOHNSON OF  
JOHN'S FRIENDLY MARKET, AN  
HONORABLE MAN AND AN AD-  
MIRED NEW JERSEY CITIZEN

#### HON. ROBERT E. ANDREWS

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, July 28, 2009*

Mr. ANDREWS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize John Johnson of John's Friendly Market. John has served the local residents of Haddon Heights, New Jersey for over 50 years. He has continuously provided customers with fresh food and convenience store items. Recently, John celebrated his 90th birthday and this milestone deserves acknowledgment.

When customers of John's Friendly Market walk in the front door, they know two things for sure: that their hunger will be satisfied by the delicious food that the market provides and that they will see a friendly man sitting behind the counter waiting to take their order. Customers not only love the food at John's, but they love knowing John will brighten their day.

The residents of Haddon Heights, New Jersey consider John a celebrity. His kindness is legendary. For instance, John opened up his store for a family after he had closed, simply because their dog was sick and the vet recommended a meat only diet. People gather at John's to shop for groceries, to fill their stomachs, and to take a break from their fast paced lives. John's Friendly Market is an integral part of the Haddon Heights community.

Madam Speaker, John Johnson's service to New Jersey's First Congressional District should not go unrecognized. I want to personally thank John Johnson for the food he provides, the service he performs, and the lives he has touched.

HONORING DR. GAYNELL SIMPSON

#### HON. C.A. DUTCH RUPPERSBERGER

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, July 28, 2009*

Mr. RUPPERSBERGER. Madam Speaker, I rise before you today to honor Dr. Gaynell Simpson, recipient of the 2009 Hartford Faculty Scholar in Geriatric Social Work. Dr. Simpson, Assistant Professor and Gerontology Coordinator at Morgan State University, is one of nine distinguished scholars selected to receive funding to pursue a research project focused on evaluating and improving the field of geriatric social work. Specifically, Dr. Simpson's research project will concentrate on the influence of social resources on health outcomes among African American grandmothers with multiple caregiving roles.

Dr. Simpson earned her Bachelor's of Social Work and Master's of Social Work from the